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U.B. Brewery,

Office.

Strike at Union Brewery Ltd., (British), Ichang Road

The two workers detained at the Station have no previous convictions.

The management of the U.B. Brewery when communicated with at 11.30 a.m. Thursday Feb. 6, stated that they did not desire to press any action against the two men and would rather leave the matter in the hands of the Police.

Attached is a statement made by the Assistant Engineer Mr. Magyer who fought with the two men while preventing their unlawful entry into the engine room apparently with the intent to stop or damage the machinery.

The testimony of this witness would most probably lead to a conviction under mischief or intimidation.

Very weak evidence suggested release. Supt. Russell informed & release

The situation at the U.B. Brewery is normal with the workers still quietly congregating outside on Ichang Road awaiting action by the management and strike leaders.

At 11.58 a.m. Thursday Feb. 6, F.P.S. 84 Vaskoff reported by telephone that two representatives of the Western Branch Labour Union had called at the U.B. Brewery with the intention of interviewing the Management.

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The Management informed Pootoo Road Station over telephone that they had no desire to interview them.

The two representatives namely,

1. Wong Ko Chun (王可均), 26, Ningpo,
2. Zung Ping (鍾萍), 24, Soochow,

were invited to Pootoo Road Station accompanied by D.S. Turner on the instructions of the undersigned when they stated that it was their intention to put before the Management the following four demands,

1. Re-instatement of dismissed workers,
2. No unreasonable dismissal of workers,
3. Payment of wages during the period of strike,
4. Acknowledgement of the Workers' Union.

At about 2.15 p.m. a report was received from the Management that a poster had been placed on the factory wall by the strikers. The poster called upon the workers to unite in order to secure a settlement of the demands.

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